

## Jump aboard our cruise ship and travel with us to the tropics! Campers will need their passport this week as we explore a variety of cultures and traditions through crafts, games, and sports. The week will conclude with our annual Luau, a day packed with activities, music, contests, prizes, and more!

Week 1—Island Adventures June 22 – 26

Field Trip - Hammonasset State Park (June 25)

#### Week 2—Star Spangled Superheroes June 29–July 2 Field Trip - No Field Trip

Do you ever wish you could have a secret ability? Campers will create their own super identity and develop their strength through a variety of challenges and games. Learn what it takes to defend villains through obstacle courses, scavenger hunts, superhero trivia, and more! No Camp July 3

# Week 3 - Weird Science July 6-10 Field Trip -Eli Whitney Museum (July 9)

Campers will be transformed into awesome scientists this week, complete with lab coats, goggles, and more! Through bubbly experiments and crazy inventors, we'll discover science everywhere... both indoors and out! Hands-on activities, cooking, and our annual science show are just a few of the highlights this week.

#### Week 4 Carnival at Camp July 13 - 17 Field Trip-No Field Trip,

This week is all about being goofy and clowning around! During our annual carnival week, campers will experience a variety of crazy fun activities and games and of course wacky crafts and water relays. At our carnival day, we'll have lots of games and prizes, popcorn, snow cones, and more! Camp Carnival (July 16)

# Join us for our most Exciting, Engaging Summer Camps ever!!

Our camp is for children entering Grades K-7 in Fall. 2015.\* (ages of Eligibility: 5-12) Camp meets Monday through Friday from 8:30am-3:30pm, with pick up between 3:30-4pm at Essex Elementary School. Extended Before Care is available from 8a-8:30am. Registration fee is \$125 per participant per week (except for week 2).

Before Care is \$10 per camper per week. Field Trips are planned for every week with the exception of Carnival Week, dates are subject to change. To register, complete the summer camp registration form and mail or drop it off to park and recreation or register online.

Forms and additional information are available on our website, www.essexct.gov, click on "Government" "Departments" then "Park and Recreation". Week 1 Schedule is subject to change based on EES School Calendar. Our summer camp offer weekly summer camp group games and activities as well as activities tied to our weekly themes described below.

#### Week 5 - Time Travelers July 20-24

Field Trip - Mashantucket Pequot Museum (July 23) Embark on a journey with us as we travel through time and explore a different time period each day. Imaginations run wild this week... from prehistoric dinosaurs, ancient Egypt, medieval knights, and more! Campers will take part in a variety of crafts and activities to learn about our fascinating history!

#### Week 6 Wacky Water Works July 27 - 31 Field Trip - Northford Ice Pavilion

Join us in our challenge to stay cool this week! You are sure to beat the heat with a week packed full of water activities and challenges, our annual ice cream social, and ice skating!

### Week 7 Summer Olympics August 3-7

Field Trip - Fun Squared Bowling/Laser Tag (Aug 6) This week will feature non-stop running, jumping, stretching, and more as campers participate in a wide variety of sports, including both team and individual tournaments. Our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Sports Buffet will feature some "out of the ordinary" sports and Olympic teams will create their own name and team flag.

Week 8 Ahoy Mateys! August 10 - 14 Field Trip-Mystic Seaport (August 13)

Climb aboard the Black Pearl as we sail through the week searching for hidden treasure. Put on your pirate attire, learn pirate lingo, and make your own treasure chest. This week is full of activities, crafts, and games that are sure to guarantee swashbuckling pirate fun!

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